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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	REGULATORY COUNCIL FOR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS OF THE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at 1:15 p.m.
PLACE:	Division of Professional Regulation 861 Silver Lake Boulevard Second Floor Conference Room A Dover, Delaware
MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:	

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lauren Davey, PA-C, Chair Member, Presiding
Kyra Downing, PA-C, Vice Chair
John Madden, M.D., Physician Member
Greg Morris, PA-C, Council Member
Paula Paul, PA-C, Council Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Patricia Davis, Deputy Attorney General
Devashree Singh, Executive Director
Nicole Williams, Administrative Specialist III

MEMBERS ABSENT

Gregory Adams, M.D., Physician Member
Hooshang Shanehsaz R. Ph., Pharm. D., Council Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Deb Hamilton
Elizabeth Lewis
Ron Dohanish

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Davey called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Dr. Madden moved, seconded by Ms. Paul, to approve the October 3, 2017 Council minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PA Council Draft Legislation Update

Ms. Paul raised the concern that the language in the Council's draft legislation currently requiring all written collaborative agreement be reviewed and approved by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline (Board) before licensure could potentially cause delays in getting applicants licensed. Ms. Paul requested that Ms. Singh clarify the licensure process and explain any types of delays that could be anticipated if the Board is required to review all of collaborative agreements prior to a license being issued.

Ms. Singh explained the current licensure process and the need for when a Board or Council is required to review the application before the license is issued. Ms. Singh discussed the possibility of eventually receiving authority from the Board to fast track the collaborative agreement review as part of the application process once the terms of the collaborative agreement are clearly established.

The Council discussed other processes as it related to the draft legislation and discussed presenting the draft PA legislation to the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Approved Applications for Registration and Licensure

There are currently 703 licensed physician assistants in the State of Delaware. There was no further discussion on this topic by the Council.

Letter to BOMLD from ASAM re. addiction treatment from NPs and PAs

The Council reviewed the letter to the Medical Board from the American Association of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) regarding addiction treatment for NPs and PAs. The letter was presented to the Council for their information. The Council discussed different substance abuse treatments that PAs and NPs administer in their profession.

Other Business before the Council

Moving the PA Council start time

The Council discussed moving the PA Council start time to begin earlier, however after discussing the logistics and current schedules it was determined that the Council's start time would remain unchanged.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Next Scheduled Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at 1:00 p.m., 2nd floor in Conference Room "A", Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Council, Dr. Madden moved, seconded by Ms. Paul, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 1:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Nicole M. Williams
Administrative Specialist III